(b) An updating survey for doubling of Meerut-Saharanpur was completed in 2005-06. The doubling of the section is not considered justified from traffic considerations.

Survey of new rail lines in Kerala

2600. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are surveys on new railway lines in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details including the survey initiated, completed, to be completed and to be initiated, category-wise;

(c) the decision taken, if any, based on the completion of survey, category-wise;

(d) whether there is any delay on the above process; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (e) Yes, Sir. Details of new line surveys completed during the last 03 years and ongoing new line surveys falling fully/partly in the State of Kerala alongwith decision taken thereon are as under:-

S.No.	New line Survey	Status	Decision taken
1.	Thalassery-Mysore (298 Km)	Completed	Proposal not taken up.
2.	Nilambur Road-Nanjangud Town (238 Km)	Completed	Report under examination
3.	Sabarimala-Chengannur (64 Km)	Completed	Proposal not taken up.
4.	Angadippuram-Kozhikode (77 Km)	Completed	Report under examination
5.	Kanjangad-Panathur (41 Km)	Completed	Report under examination
6.	Madurai (Bodinayakkanur) - Kottayam (211 Km)	Surveys taken up.	
7.	Madurai-Ernakulam (Cochin) (200 Km)		
8.	Erumeli-Pathanamthitta-Punalur-Thiruvananthapuram (136 Km)		
9.	Idappalli-Guruvayur (77 Km)		

The ongoing surveys are expected to be completed in a time period of about 02 years.

Gauge conversion in Gujarat

2601. SHRI PARSHOTTAM KHODABHAI RUPALA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether adequate budgetary provision for conversion/upgradation of broad gauge in respect of certain lines in Gujarat has been included in the Railway Budget 2009-10;

(b) if so, the details of the provisions for each line approved for conversion/upgradation; and

(c) by when the work relating to conversion/upgradation will likely to be started?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (c) The details of ongoing gauge conversion projects falling fully/partly in Gujarat alongwith outlay provided during 2009-10 is as under:-

Sl. No.	Name of Projects	Outlay 2009-10 (Rs. in crore)
1.	Ahmedabad-Himmatnagar-Udaipur	30
2.	Bharuch-Samni-Dahej	45.65
3.	Bhildi-Samdari	70
4.	Bhildi-Viramgam	40
5.	Bhuj-Naliya with extn. to Vayor	0.01
6.	Pratapnagar-Chhotaudepur	35
7.	Rajkot-Veraval, Wansjalia to Jetalsar with new line from Veraval to Somnath	27.20
8.	Ankleshwar-Rajpipla	60
9.	Surendranagar-Bhavnagar-Mahuva with extn. to Pipavav and Surendranagar-Dhrangadhra	24

The ahove projects are in various stages of progress and will be completed as per availability of resources.

Scheme to adopt railway stations

2602. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any scheme to adopt railway stations or sponsor part of railway stations;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has received any proposal from FICCI or any other organisation for maintenance or sponsoring of railway stations; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (d) There is no such policy of adoption of railway stations by private parties. However, some